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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

1. through 9. (Cancelled)

10. (Previously presented) An artificial wind producing flag pole assembly for maintaining a flag in an unfurled position, the artificial wind producing flag pole assembly comprising:

a base member being adapted for being positioned on a support surface, said base member being substantially hollow and substantially cylindrical in shape;

a blower assembly being coupled to said base member such that said blower assembly is in fluid communication with said base member, said blower assembly being adapted for blowing air into said base member;

a flagpole being coupled to said base member such that said flagpole is in fluid communication with said base member, said flagpole being positioned opposite said blower assembly such that said blower assembly is adapted for blowing air through said base member into said flagpole, said flagpole comprising a plurality of exhaust apertures extending into said flagpole such that each of said exhaust apertures allow air blown into said flagpole to be exhausted, said flagpole being adapted for receiving the flag such that the flag is positioned proximate the exhaust apertures to allow the air exhausted through said exhaust apertures to flow over the flag and maintain the flag in the unfurled position;

a plurality of clip members being coupled to said flagpole, each of said clip members being adapted for being selectively coupled to the flag such that said clip members are for coupling the flag to said flagpole;

said clip members being positioned in a space relationship proximate a top end of said flag pole, said clip members are adapted for being

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25 selectively coupled to a base edge of the flag such that said clip members
26 maintain the base edge of the flag in a substantially vertical position and
27 substantially aligned with a longitudinal axis of said flagpole when said clip
28 members are coupled to the base edge of the flag;

29 said exhaust apertures of said flagpole being aligned with said clip
30 members such that said exhaust apertures are positioned between said clip
31 members, said exhaust apertures are adapted for being aligned with the base
32 edge of the flag such that said exhaust apertures exhaust the air over the
33 base edge and along the sides of the flag to unfurl the flag when the flag is
34 coupled to said clip members;

35 said clip members being positioned opposite said blower assembly,
36 said clip members being adapted for permitting the flag to extend outwardly
37 from said flagpole in a direction opposite said blower assembly such that a
38 weight of said blower assembly facilitates stability of said flagpole by
39 balancing a force applied to said flagpole by the flag when the flag is
40 unfurled;

41 said flagpole comprising a perimeter wall, said perimeter wall
42 defining a venting bore extending along a portion of a length of said
43 flagpole, each of said exhaust apertures extending through said perimeter
44 wall such that each of said exhaust apertures is in fluid communication with
45 said venting bore, said venting bore comprising an open end in fluid
46 communication with said base member such that air supplied by said blower
47 assembly enters said venting bore through said open end and is exhausted
48 from said venting bore through said exhaust apertures;

49 said base member comprising a transfer bore, said transfer bore
50 extending through said base member such that transfer bore is in fluid
51 communication with said blower assembly and said open end of said venting
52 bore of said flagpole, said transfer bore of said base member being adapted
53 for permitting air flow produced by said blower assembly to be directing
54 into said venting bore of said flagpole; and

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55 said base member comprising ~~an~~ a substantially circular upper face, a
56 substantially circular bottom face and a substantially cylindrical perimeter
57 face, said upper face being substantially planar and said bottom face being
58 substantially planar, said perimeter face extending between said upper face
59 and said bottom face, said blower assembly being coupled to said perimeter
60 face of said base member, said flagpole being coupled to said upper face of
61 said base member such that said flagpole extends upwardly from said base
62 member, said bottom face being adapted for being positioned on the support
63 surface, said bottom face of said base member being substantially planar
64 such that said bottom face resists tipping of said base member and said
65 flagpole when said base member is positioned on the support surface and the
66 flag is unfurled from said flagpole;

67 wherein said bottom face of said base member being located at a
68 lowermost position on said flag pole assembly such that said flag pole
69 assembly rests on said bottom face;

70 wherein said blower assembly is positioned laterally outward from
71 said base member and is rigidly connected to the base member in a manner
72 such that said blower assembly rests on a ground surface when said base
73 member rests on the ground surface;

74 wherein said blower assembly having an interior with an outlet, the
75 outlet of said blower assembly connected to a portion of said perimeter face
76 of said base member such that said blower assembly blows air into said base
77 member through said perimeter face;

78 wherein said plurality of exhaust apertures are positioned on an
79 opposite side of said flagpole from a mounting location of said blower
80 assembly on said base member.

11. through 13. (Cancelled)